

CONSPIRACY CASE COMES TO SUDDEN FINISH IN COURT

Defense in Magill-Bruner Action Spring a Surprise by Completing Evidence.

DEFENDANTS NOT ON STAND

Opening Argument to the Jury Is Made by Joseph L. Haas for the Prosecution.

The Magill-Bruner case came to a sudden end this afternoon in circuit court when the defense rested. This turn came as a distinct surprise. Neither Sheriff O. L. Bruner or former State's Attorney L. M. Magill were called to the stand.

When court convened this afternoon, with Bruner on the stand, Special Prosecutor George W. Wood asked the witness if he knew what had become of the recognition in the Mitchell case. Mr. Bruner replied he did not. The prosecutor then asked if the witness was under indictment in connection with the same case, but the court sustained the objection of the defense and he did not answer the query.

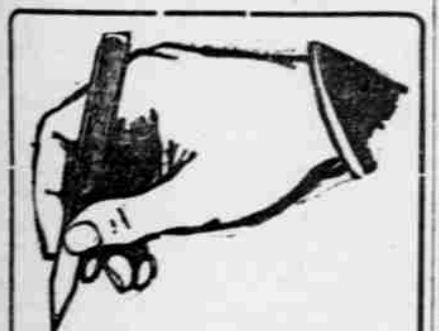
It was at this point that the attorneys for the defense announced they would call no more witnesses. The state had nothing to offer in rebuttal and an adjournment was taken to give counsel time to arrange for their arguments to the jury. The opening address was made by Joseph L. Haas for the prosecution.

Much documentary evidence was entered by the defense to rebut testimony already offered by the state in the Bruner-Magill trial, which entered its fourth week this morning. The documents, copies of informations, and discharges from commitments, and various grand jury and court records, were entered by the defense in support of proof that the actions of the two defendants in the discharge of prisoners and dismissals of cases were regular in every way.

One reverse was met by the defense this morning when Judge E. C. Graves sustained the objection made by Prosecutor Wood to the testimony which was expected to come from W. D. Hall of Port Byron, who was foreman of the September, 1912, grand jury.

"In consideration of cases before that grand jury," asked Attorney C. E. Bruner on the direct examination, "I will ask you to state whether or not anything was done, or vote taken, or resolution drawn with reference to directing the state's attorney to file information in the county court against certain prisoners charged with misdemeanors, charges that were not deemed weighty enough to warrant the return of an indictment."

Sustains Objection. Mr. Hall was not permitted to answer the question. In sustaining the



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objection by the state, the court ruled that the grand jury has no more business than a citizen on the streets to direct the state's attorney to take such action. And moreover, such testimony would not be competent in this trial, because of the general character of the interrogation, which was not centered on instructions regarding one or any of the specific cases upon which this trial is based.

"The defense had aimed," declared Dietz, in addressing the court in support of the introduction of such testimony, "to show that it was the practice during the entire four years of Magill's incumbency in the office of state's attorney for each and every grand jury to instruct the state's attorney to file information in bindover cases from the justice and magistrate courts, where the offense was shown to be of a trivial character and not sufficient to warrant a true bill. As a result of this practice by the grand juries of sending misdemeanor cases to the county court for trial untold time was saved, the circuit court was saved from a congestion of cases and thousands of dollars saved to the taxpayers in witness fees, etc."

"The instructions which Mr. Magill carried out were similar to those given to state's attorneys who preceded him in office and the same as have been given to Floyd E. Thompson, now in office. We think it is material evidence in this case to prove our contention that dismissal of certain of these cases charged in the indictment were entirely regular and at the instigation of the grand juries themselves."

Foremen Called.
The defense had subpoenaed the foremen of each of the 12 regular grand juries which served during Magill's term of office and had intended to show by them, singly and collectively, of this practice of referring misdemeanors to the county court and giving instructions to the state's attorney in this regard. In view of the court's attitude on the Hall testimony, it is probable that the other foremen will not be called to the stand—at least not to testify on this point, on which the defense had hoped to make a striking point.

Clarence Isaacson, deputy county clerk, was the first witness this morning called to the stand. He identified Magill's signatures to informations in a number of cases filed in the county court as written by Peter Ingelson of Moline, assistant state's attorney in 1912. The cases cited were those against Maud Rush, Thomas Stark, Alfred Tonda, Martin Nolan, Thomas Mitchell and Harry Manwaring. This was to show that the informations were filed at a time when Magill was either out of the city or away from the duties of his office during the 1912 congressional campaign, and so could not have had the interest in the outcome of the cases as is charged in the indictment. Other county court records, identified by Isaacson, were also written into the trial record as exhibits by the defense. One of these was a record of nolle prosequere in the J. B. Mitchell case by State's Attorney Magill, July 8, 1913.

The defense attempted to introduce the record of all the cases where charges were preferred against Neil Hill during the four years of Magill in the office of state's attorney, but objections by the state were sustained. It was aimed to show that there were more prosecutions than dismissals in the numerous court cases in which the Hill woman was involved.

Brinn On Stand.
James Brinn, chief of the Rock Island police department, was a witness this morning and told of his appearance at the county court trial when the case against Martin Nolan was dismissed in September, 1912. Nolan is the man, the state claimed in its evidence, who drew a check for \$100 in favor of "Babe" Meenan, to be paid to Bruner for his release from custody. The purpose of Brinn's testimony was to show that the case was a trivial one and that the dismissal in county court came about because "there was nothing on Nolan." According to Brinn, that is the statement that Officer "Bud" Meenan, now deceased, told him at the trial.

"The arrest was made, Meenan said, declared Brinn, "to throw a scare into the Billy Allen place." Nolan was arrested in connection with a raid on the place in August, 1912.

William Caulfield, who was city detective in 1912, on the stand, said he had no knowledge of Nolan's arrest. The report of the May, 1912, grand jury, returned May 9, 1912, to the office of the circuit clerk was admitted into evidence by the defense after its identification by Clerk George W. Gamble. Wood objected to the evidence on the ground that the same document had been proposed for entrance by the state, but the grant had been denied. Judge Graves on examining the book, declared it was not the same one, and overruled the objections.

On examination by Attorney Kenworthy, Clerk Gamble admitted that he had changed the date of the return of the grand jury report from May 9 to May 13, in the court record book, and it was done this morning. When asked the reason for it Mr. Gamble stated the entry originally was wrong. During the recess which followed there was a conference of the court, the attorneys and the clerk and the record as offered in evidence bore the date of May 9. No questions were asked by the defense after the recess.

Two acting deputy sheriffs, Phil Miller and William Brough, were called as witnesses today by the defense, to rebut the evidence given by Walter Kittelsen, a former deputy, whom the defense charged was and is interested in the prosecution of Sheriff Bruner.

Afraid of Discharge.
Deputy Miller testified to a conversation he had with Kittelsen in the fall of 1912 in the sheriff's office. Attorney Kenworthy recited the conversa-

REVIVE RUMOR OF ERECTION OF NEW HUGE HOTEL HERE

Official of P. Schoenhofen Brewing Company in Rock Island on Business.

TO CONTAIN ROOF GARDEN

Modern Hostelry May Follow Completion of Warehouse for Edelweiss Concern in This City.

Rumors of the erection of a new seven-story hotel within the central portion of Rock Island by the Peter Schoenhofen Brewing company of Chicago was revived today in the presence here of one of the officials of the concern.

According to reports there are several sites in the minds of officials of the company as to the location of the new building, all within the business section of this city.

According to the reports, also, the new hostelry will be modern, complete to the minute, and when finished one of the show places of Rock Island. It is to have a handsome cafe and roof garden, according to the plans of the brewing concern.

Known for Some Time.

It has been known that for some time past the concern has had a view towards locating such an establishment in Rock Island, and it is expected that within several days a deal will be consummated whereby it will be definitely ascertained as to the future plans of the Schoenhofen people.

Within a short time, probably within the next few days, the new warehouse of the brewery, which is being built here on Twentieth street between Second and Third avenues will be completed.

This will be the initial step towards making Rock Island the western distributing point for Edelweiss beer.

New Warehouse Complete.

The new warehouse is a modern structure of its kind and has a capacity of six carloads. The increased business of the company has made it absolutely necessary that larger warehouses be provided, the old one, in the rear of the local office of the distributor, Otto C. Sleditz, at Seventeenth street and Fourth avenue, being too small. At present from one to four carloads of the brew a day is received and distributed from this city.

The new warehouse is equipped with a garage and space for horses and a spur of track for the unloading of cars has been constructed to the door of the place.

tion reported to have taken place, putting the question this way:

"In the conversation did Mr. Kittelsen say, 'I've heard rumors or irregularities in the sheriff's office and I want to know about them.' Further, did he say, 'George Siemon is going to be candidate for sheriff and I feel that I will be discharged if I don't line up for his support, and I have concluded that the one way for me to do is to get the sheriff.'"

"Yes, sir," was Miller's reply.

To test his interest in the present case, Prosecutor Wood put Miller through an exacting cross examination.

"You are considerably interested in this case, are you not?"

"To some extent, yes, sir."

"You have been conferring with counsel for the defense ever since the trial started, and given advice on the selection of men for the jury, have you not?"

"No, sir, I gave no advice of that nature."

"You have been conferring with Mr. Kenworthy every morning about this case, haven't you?"

"Yes, sir."

No Papers Turned Over.

William Brough, who succeeded Kittelsen as desk man in the sheriff's office, testified that Kittelsen had turned no papers or records over to him, and none were found in the drawer of the desk where the former deputy claimed to have left them. He was used to identifying discharge from commitment papers in the Camiel Timmerman case.

The final witness of the morning was Ben Schriver, who testified that Bruner had paid him \$100 after the dismissal of the J. B. Mitchell case before Justice Cleland. Schriver, the state claims, secured a straw bond in this case, with two men, not property owners, as signers.

The cross examination, to find what the money was paid for, was postponed until this afternoon.

Social

MR. BISBEE BRINGS HOME BRIDE.

Friends of Roy Bisbee of this city will be surprised to learn of his marriage to Miss Margaret McGovern of Aberdeen, S. D., which took place four weeks ago in that city. Friends and relatives in this city were not acquainted with the fact that he had been married and only learned of the event when he brought his bride to the home of his parents at 2829 Seventh avenue last week. A reception was given in their honor the latter part of last week, a company of 40 being entertained on the lawn at the home. Musical numbers were given by members of the Bisbee family and refreshments were served, the guests of honor being given a shower of rice before the departure of the company. Upon their return home a short time after they were

greeted with a shower of missiles as they opened the door and in the room were found many noise making contrivances.

Mr. Bisbee has been a member of the orchestra at Aberdeen and is a musician of talent. His bride is a graduate nurse.

BOY IS INJURED IN A COLLISION

Elmer Olson Thrown to Pavement When Truck and Street Car Collided on 5th Ave.

Elmer Olson, nine years of age, who resides at 2618 Seventh avenue, had a narrow escape from death under the wheels of a west bound street car at Twenty-seventh street and Fifth avenue at 11:30 this morning, when he was thrown from the back end of one of the Sylvan ice company's ice trucks, which was struck by the car.

The lad hooked onto the truck several blocks up the street and was standing on the running board at the rear of the machine. The driver of the machine apparently did not see the car approaching and started across the street just in front of the street car. A head-on collision resulted and the Olson boy was thrown off the truck and rolled in between it and the street car. He escaped with a few bruises however, and was removed to his home where Dr. Joseph De Silva attended him. The driver of the truck escaped injury.

The front wheel of the car was torn off and the radiator damaged as well as the fender of the car.

MRS. ANNA HENRY SUFFERS ATTACK

Overcome With Heart Trouble She Falls Down Flight of Steps at Home.

Mrs. Anna Henry, old Rock Island resident, who resides at 2535 Eighth and one-half avenue, was overcome by heart trouble while sitting at her home yesterday afternoon. A physician was called and it was thought for a time that she would die, but her condition is somewhat improved today.

Mrs. Henry had been complaining of a pain on the left side all day. She was sitting in a chair at her home during the afternoon, and when she got up to walk she keeled over in a faint and fell down a small flight of steps. The fact that she is nearly 70 years of age makes it impossible to tell whether she will recover or not. Her many friends in the city wish her a speedy recovery.

TO CELEBRATE AT EXPOSITION PARK

Colored People of This Section Will Observe Emancipation Day in Rock Island.

The colored people of Rock Island, Moline, Davenport, East Moline, Watertown, Clinton, Muscatine, Galesburg, Monmouth and surrounding towns will celebrate the 50th anniversary of the emancipation of the American negro at Exposition park in this city on August 12.

Among the speakers who will participate in the program are Mayor H. M. Schriver, Rev. W. H. Saunders and Harry McCaskrin of this city; Mayor Carlson and ex-Mayor Andrew Olson of Moline; Dr. T. B. Stovall of Davenport, and W. A. Searcey of Monmouth.

An old fashioned barbecue and a ball game between the Galesburg Colored Stars and the Rock C. S. S. will be among the attractions of the day. The Colored Ladies' Cornet band of Galesburg will take part and an exhibition drill by 15 young ladies will also be given.

These celebrations have been held in many locations in the past and present year and in 1915 will be celebrated in Springfield, the state legislature by request of a commission appointed by Governor Dunne, having promised several thousand dollars to make it a success.

AUTO TRUCK IS HIT BY SMALL ROADSTER

Two machines were slightly damaged at Twentieth street and Sixth avenue at 1 o'clock this afternoon, when a small roadster collided with one of McCabe's trucks.

The truck was going north on Twentieth street when the lighter roadster crept up behind and crashed head-on into the rear end of the truck. The fender and lamps on the roadster were bent out of shape and the rear end of the truck slightly scratched. No one was injured.

ROBERT BENELL IS OUT FOR SURVEYOR

Robert W. Benell, Moline, today filed his petition for the republican nomination for county surveyor with County Clerk H. B. Hubbard. George B. Garwood is the bull moose candidate, while the democrats have no aspirants for the office as yet. This is the one office for which women will be entitled to vote this fall.

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- 10% Discount on all Haviland China.
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- 10% Discount on all Paints.
- 20% Discount on all Brass and Copper Ware.
- 10% Discount on Bohn-Syphon and Challenge Refrigerators.
- 20% Discount on all Cut Glass and Hand Painted China.

In addition to the above forceful discounts we will sell:

Oiled Paper for Picnics and Lunches at the Roll	3c	Decorated English Tea Pots	19c
15 inch Brass Towel Bars, Nickel Plated	25c	Monroe Lawn Mowers, 14 inch cutting edge	2.45
Cut Star Water Pitchers, 1/2 Gal. size	39c	Oval Casseroles in Nickel Plated Frames	1.49
Sulkies with 10 inch Rubber Tired Wheels, Reversible Back, for Tuesday	1.69	From 9 to 10 A. M. Thermometers, each	1c
Household Ammonia, large bottle, Tuesday	5c	From 10 to 11 A. M. 6 Bars Wool Soap for	15c
		No Phone orders. None to Children; on Hour Sale Specials.	

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NOTED WRESTLERS WILL MEET AGAIN

Dr. Roller and William Demetral Sign Up For Another Bout at Exposition Park.

Dr. B. F. Roller, champion heavyweight wrestler of the United States and William Demetral, champion of Greece, commonly known as the "Greek Demon," have been matched again for a finish match on August 12, best two out of three falls, catch as catch can. An agreement has been made between the two wrestlers to abolish any rough work on the mat, principally lifting, which was the cause of the accident to Demetral which caused a termination of their last match, July 10. Demetral has put up a \$500 bond to this effect.

The Demon left Rock Island yesterday for Starved Rock where he will go into training to determine how far he has recovered from the effects of his recent injury. Dr. Roller is now in Chicago. The match will draw a record crowd again without a doubt, as the contestants wrestled for over one hour nip and tuck at the last match without a fall. A boxing exhibition will also be arranged with the program.

OBITUARY

Funeral of Thomas E. Davis.
The funeral of Thomas E. Davis was held yesterday afternoon at 2 o'clock from St. Joseph's church. Dean J. J. Quinn had charge of the services. Interment was in Chippianock cemetery.

Miner Funeral.
The funeral of Kenneth Daniel Miner, three months old, was held at 2 o'clock from the home of Mrs. Bertha Kruse, 509 Fourteenth avenue. Rev. Karl Nilsson had charge of the services with interment in Chippianock cemetery.

WOMAN MAY ENTER RACE

Mrs. Anthony Caminetti Talks of Running for Congress.
San Francisco, July 27.—Mrs. Anthony Caminetti, wife of the commissioner general of immigration, has

announced that unless the democratic party developed a candidate to oppose Congressman Charles F. Curry (republican), in the third district, she would, circumstances permitting, seek the democratic nomination at the primary election by having her name written on the ballot.

MAJOR HOFF IS TO LEAVE LOCAL POST

Major Hoff, who has been stationed with the ordnance department at the Rock Island arsenal for the past six years, will be relieved and will report at the Springfield, Mass., arsenal for duty Sept. 10. Major Morton, who is now at the Springfield arsenal, comes here on the same date to take Major Hoff's place. During his residence here Major Hoff has made a large circle of friends in the three cities who will regret his leaving.

Lieutenant Bane arrived at the arsenal yesterday for duty from Sandy Hook, N. J. Lieutenant Bane is the last of the new officers to report. He has been absent from the eastern post on a month's furlough.

MOOSE ORDER DEDICATES A NEW NATIONAL SCHOOL

Chicago, July 27.—Yesterday was an epoch-making day for Moosedom. Twenty thousand members of the Loyal Order of Moose journeyed to Mooseheart, Ill., the national home of the order. They celebrated the first anniversary of the founding of the Moose vocational school and university and dedicated a new \$85,000 school building.

Following a barbecue on the banks of the Fox river the most interesting feature of the celebration was held. It was a parade led by the uniformed Mooseheart band and a five and drum corps made up entirely of the boys and girls of the school, and followed by the nursery department and several hundred visiting children.

Children and grown-ups in the Moose city are ruled by an idealistic plan of government which was outlined by E. J. Henning of California, a member of the board of trustees, during his address. Corporal punishment in the school is prohibited, a system of merit and demerit marks being the only disciplinary measures resorted to. "The dignity of labor will always be emphasized. The boys will be taught trades, the girls will be educated to become homemakers," said Trustee Henning.

\$34,000,000 FOR CROP MOVING AID

Treasury Ready to Fund With Banks South and West.

Washington, D. C., July 27.—Government deposits of funds aggregating \$34,000,000 will be made in national banks for the purpose of facilitating the movement of the bumper crops, according to an announcement made by Secretary of the Treasury McAdoo. The application for this volume of government deposits by the bankers in response to his recent inquiry Secretary McAdoo interprets as an evidence of reviving activity in business. The bulk of the money will go to the southern states, a large part of it to the west, and none to the eastern states and New England.

Western cities asking for government deposits are Chicago, Evansville, Ind.; Fort Wayne, Ind.; Des Moines, Iowa; Sioux City, Iowa; Muskogee, Okla.; Oklahoma City, Okla.; St. Louis; Kansas City; St. Joseph, Mo.; Omaha; Lincoln, Neb.; Seattle, Wash.; Spokane, Wash.

PASTOR IN HICKORY SHIRT

Starts Campaign to Break Down Clothes Barrier in Church.

Alton, Ill., July 27.—Coatsless, wearing an old hickory shirt and a pair of striped trousers, Rev. Dr. D. C. Blunt, pastor of the East Alton Baptist church, opened the services yesterday morning by commending many of the congregation for conforming with plans for simple and comfortable dress in church.

Plain clothes for church wear were suggested following a plea by members of the church that their clothes were not good enough to wear to services.

Several members of the church had suggested that the men wear overalls and jumpers and blue shirts and the women their old house dresses.

The younger set did not respond to the invitation, but many of the older members appeared in simple dress. The services were largely attended, many going out of curiosity.

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